

Approved Minutes
IDAHO COUNCIL FOR TECHNOLOGY IN LEARNING (ICTL)
700 West State Street East Conference Room
September 25, 2001



ICTL Members;

Chandler, Vickie
represented, Conley,
Paula
Criner, Elizabeth
Howard, Supt.
Marilyn
Joslin, Ann
Leaf, Bill
Manning, Darrell
Marley, Rep. Bert
Newby, Vern
Richardson, Senator
Melvin, ICTL Chair
Szofran, Nancy
representing Stiner,
Gary
Tilman, Rep. Fred
Whitworth, Senator
Lin

**Higher Education
Information
Technology
Committee**

Burton, DeVere
Green, Cliff
Johnson, Gens

Kiesz, Kelly
**Idaho Educational
Technology
Association
(IETA)**
England, Bob

**Public Education
Information
Technology
Committee**

Black, Pete
Conley, Paula not
present
Ganske, Karen
Gibson, Chris
McGrath, Deb
Mikelson, Ray

**Bureau of
Technology
Services**
Hawkins, Dan
Kuskie, Mark
Krun, Lynda
Merritt, Sherawn
Mincer, Rich
Wilson, Dawn

Zalucha, Tracie

Guests:

Ahrens, Pam
Coffer, Kim
Elwood, Rich
Folwell, Rick
Gray, Nancy
Harris, Merle
Marconi, Jim
Martin, Kathy
Maves, Theresa
Peck, Duane
Reynolds, Vikki
Robertson, Donald C.
Shinn, Jeff
Tuchscherer, Jerry
Vakili, Donna
Young, Jeff

**Regional Technology
Advisors**

Johnson, Gwen S.
Kennedy, Eddie
Rogers, Heidi
Sammons, Dorothy
Thorsen, Carolyn

The Idaho Council for Technology in Learning (ICTL) meeting began at 9:08 am. ICTL Chair, Senator Melvin Richardson reviewed the agenda and asked each guest and member to introduce themselves. The Senator introduced Gwen Johnson, Lewis Clark State College, as the new Interim Regional Technology Advisor.

Motion #1: Fred Tilman motioned to accept the April 12, 2001 minutes as written, and was seconded by Vern Newby. Vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Motion #2: The ICTL Term Limits: Election for ICTL Vice Chair was held. Vern Newby asked Bill Leaf if he would be willing to run for ICTL Vice Chair for 2002, Bill accepted the nomination. Vern Newby motioned to elect Bill Leaf for the ICTL Vice Chair for 2002, and

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Vickie Chandler seconded the motion. There were no other nominations, and by unanimous vote, Bill Leaf is the newly appointed ICTL Vice Chair for 2002.

ICTL Bylaws–Bill Leaf: The subcommittee met in August to revise and update the ICTL bylaws. Idaho State code identifies 14 appointed positions to the ICTL Committee; the bylaws will be changed to reflect the code, as follows:

The fourteen (14) members appointed accordingly are as follows:

- (1) The Superintendent of Public Instruction
 - (1) Practicing public school administrator as a member
 - (2) Business/private sector representatives with experience in applications of technology
 - (1) Person who is a member of a local school board
 - (2) Members of the Senate, one (1) from each of the two- (2) largest political parties
 - (2) Members of the House of Representatives, one (1) from each of the two- (2) largest political parties
 - (1) Representative of the Higher Education Information Technology Committee
 - (1) Public School Teacher Representative of the Public Education Information Technology Committee
 - (1) Member of the State Board of Education
 - (1) Member who is currently serving as president of an Idaho public college or university
 - (1) The executive director of the State Board of Education
- As provided in the Idaho Code 33-4804-4810. In addition to those members identified in Idaho Code, additional members may be appointed.
 - Section 4e: any person with a conflict of interest will disqualify himself or herself from any involvement, as well as voting on the issue.
 - Section 6: the person who is substituting for the member will have the privileges to vote in place of council member.
 - Section 7: clarified duties of vice chair, and explained the role of the unexpired term.
 - Section 8: changed bylaws to reflect no compensation will be received except as provided in Section 59-509 (b), Idaho Code.

Simple quorum was discussed and the following motion was made.

Motion #3: Fred Tilman motioned the language makes it clear that a quorum of the council consists of a simple majority of the members required by Idaho Code § 33-4804, motion was seconded by Ann Joslin, vote taken and passed unanimously.

Budget Change Request: Request brought to the ICTL by the K12 subcommittee to increase the K12 budget from \$10.4 to \$15 million. A vote was taken at the last ICTL meeting on the \$15 million budget request. It was agreed to increase the budget depending on if ICTL has the legal authority to request the State Board of Education to increase the monies available to ICTL. This request was brought before Deputy Attorney General Don Robertson for clarification.

Deputy Attorney General Don Robertson: You have asked whether the Idaho Council for Technology in Learning has the legal authority to request the State Board of Education to increase the moneys available to ICTL to carry out its statutory charge. Upon reviewing the

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Idaho Educational Technology Initiative of 1994, Idaho Code § 33-4801 et. Seq., I find the law is silent as to your question. There is no express authorization for such a request, or a direct prohibition against one.

Nonetheless, Idaho Code § 33-4805 enumerates several of the ICTL's responsibilities, including "2 (b) Make recommendations to the State Board of Education on educational technology and telecommunications plans, policies, programs and activities for all educational segments..." and "(e) Collaborate with all educational segments, as well as with professional education associations and businesses, in recommending priorities for funding and identifying new needs for technology in education." Read together, these subsections could be interpreted to allow the ICTL to make a funding recommendation to the State Board of Education, which would then decide whether to include such a request in its budget proposal to the legislature, which ultimately determines funding priorities for the state.

Dr. Howard: The ICTL budget recommendation was brought to the budget coalition, who is in favor of protecting the \$10.4 million for technology. Part of this funding supports the LiLI project, which is absolutely corollary in K12 education. The ICTL issue is larger than the public school budget and crosses several agencies, which include: K12, professional technical, and higher education. The extra enhancement, to increase ICTL from \$10.4 to \$15.0 was not included in the public school budget this year. A \$2 million enhancement was added, and will be used for a standardized software and hardware reporting system. ISIMS – Idaho Student Information Management Systems committee has been created to recommend one common database system. There are additional K12 needs. Districts must have the technology to manage reporting issues internally and externally. Reporting issues will increase, and the department needs to be proactive and think ahead to manage data collection. It is up to the ICTL to set the pace, and move towards one common database management system.

Motion #4: Vern Newby motioned, a request of \$12.4 million be sent in to fund technology, and Bill Leaf seconded the motion. Vote was taken and passed with one no vote- Fred Tilman.

Idaho Educational Technology Association (IETA)-www.idahoeta.org: Bob England: This committee consists of members from different districts who represent technology in Idaho. IETA intends to meet the needs of parents, students, administrators, and the state. IETA is going to be available to assist ICTL in make decisions to improve technology for the schools, administrators, and students. The bylaws and election procedures have been completed. A sub committee was created to study standardization, and have conferences on January 30 and February 1, 2002.

Bill and Melinda Gates Grant Report–Vickie Reynolds: The purpose of this grant is to provide leadership training for leaders, superintendents, and principals. The grant is \$750,000, which is matched by state funds. Idaho Administrators Leadership and Technology Academy is the name of the developed program. A training schedule has been created and divided by regions. The schedule of projects and instructional training was reviewed. There are 75 districts participating in the training, and the grant is set up to train 500 people. The application process will begin again in October.

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Through this program, laptops will be provided to each administrator. This program consists of two years of training; one half is being trained this year and the other half next year. Individualized assessments will take place at the school and district levels. K12 – Sherawn Merritt: J.A. and Kathryn Albertson’s (JKAF) Foundation final report was reviewed, which depicts the percentage and dollar amount spent on hardware and software through the \$28 million Grant.

ICTL Phase 1, 2, TLCF, Goals 2000, E-Rate, and Mandatory Filtering Update - Dawn Wilson: ICTL Phase 1 – districts received 50% of their technology funds if district’s completed a survey, which is comprised of three district parts: school technology inventory, school technology survey, district technology survey. The statewide results can be viewed on the following URL: www.sde.state.id.us/bots/survey01. For survey results, please refer to Appendix A.

K12 Update - ICTL Phase 2: Schools are currently working on the evaluation of their technology use plans, which are due on October 31, 2001. A rubric for rating Phase 2 was developed and mailed to all school district superintendents and technology coordinators. Requirements for Phase 2 can be viewed at the following URL: www.sde.state.id.us/bots. A statewide technology plan review committee will review Phase 2 on December 3rd and 4th at the Ameritel Inn in Boise. There will be representation from each region consisting of an Idaho Educational Technology Association representative, administrator, Higher Education member or District Technology Coordinator, and Regional Technology Advisor.

TLCF–1999 funds have been spent and final reports are due in January 2002. Districts will have until September 30, 2002 to spend the TLCF 2000 funds, and the final reports will be due January 2003. TLCF–2001 district applications are due on November 19, 2001 and will be reviewed by a statewide team on December 13th at the Ameritel Inn Boise.

Goals 2000–1999 funds have been spent, and final reports are due December 3, 2001. Goals 2000–2000, districts have until September 30, 2002 to spend the funds. Interim reports are due December 3, 2001. This was the last year for the Goals 2000 Federal Grant funding program.

E-Rate–year 4: So far, \$4,023,059.44 in discounted telecommunications services has been committed to schools and libraries in Idaho. The Children’s Internet Protection Act (CIPA) or Neighborhood Children’s Internet Protection Act (NCIPA) was reviewed. Technology Competency Summary Report was reviewed.

It’s a Wild Ride Video-Teresa Mauves: This video introduces an interdisciplinary math, science, and language arts project. A short clip of the video was viewed and each ICTL member received a copy. The video presents a brief overview of the “It’s a Wild Ride” project and highlights effective student group work, organization of computers and workspaces, performance assessment, and school instructors that support technology enhanced project work.

Higher Education Information Technology Committee (HEITC)-Ann Joslin: The HEITC draft Vision and Mission statement was reviewed. A strategic plan is being formulated. There are goals and performance measures in the plan, the performance measures are still in draft form and

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are not included in the reviewed document. General Manning spoke at the last HEITC meeting and addressed Idaho's financial status. The state backbone and connectivity was discussed.

A Quote from Dr. David Liroff, WGBH Public Television Station, who gave a presentation to HEITC on Digital Asset Management. "Consider all the editorial materials that flow throughout our organizations, documents, website, TV programs, distance learning courses, on-line curriculum materials, objects and museum collections, databases, and all the administrative documentation that goes with this, including rights of ownership information, context in which they were created, etc. Digital Asset Management is a system to organize all of that information, in all those various formats, in order to optimize the use of this content to achieve the missions of our organization." There is a need for one consolidated search engine mechanism, to identify and access all the different types of information needed. This problem is being discussed.

HEITC would like to have a direction from ICTL on expected performance measures and what should be measured. ICTL Committee Members asked HEITC: Would like to see what the state has available showing Idaho's progress in technology, such as: types of courses on-line, video streaming and band intensive programs. They would also like to see a detailed budget of the HEITC budget requests for the \$1.75 million for connectivity, and \$500,000 for teacher training.

Motion #5: Bert Marley motioned ICTL recommend \$1.75 million for HEITC connectivity, \$500,000.00 for teacher training, and \$200,000 for the Bill and Melinda Gates Grant be sent to the State Board of Education. Ann Joslin seconded the motion. A vote was taken and passed with 2 opposing votes, Representative Fred Tilman and Vern Newby.

Motion #5s: Vern Newby motioned the \$500,000 for teacher training and \$200,000 for Bill and Melinda Gates Grant be sent in, taking out the \$1.75 million request. Representative Fred Tilman seconded the substitution motion. Vote was taken and substitution failed; there were two yes votes, Vern Newby and Representative Tilman.

Ann Joslin- LiLI database information was passed out and discussed, including a tip sheet on accessing the database. The LiLI database now offers full articles from 2,500 journals. .

Eddie Kennedy gave a presentation on MarcoPolo. Here is the web site:
<http://marcopolo.worldcom.com>

IPTV Descriptive Video Services in Idaho – Gens Johnson: A short video clip was viewed on descriptive video services in Idaho. All presentation materials are prepared for enclosed caption and vision pared individuals. Idaho will begin digital broadcasting soon.

The next ICTL meeting will be December 14th, 2001 at the Ameritel Inn, Boise Spectrum, Boise. Meeting adjourned at 3 pm.

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APPENDIX A

SURVEY STUDY RESULTS:

Ratio of Students to Multimedia Computers (Averages)		National Average	
1998/1999	7.8%	2000	10.2
2000	5.3%		
2001	4.2 %	Due to J.A. and Kathryn Albertson’s Grant	
Schools with Internet Access			
1994/1995	65%	2000	90%
2000	94%		
2001	97%		
Schools with Local Area Networks		(For Internet Access Connectivity)	
1995/1996	78%	Due to leveraging of funds.	
Total Computers in K12 Public Schools			
1993/1994	16,175		
2000	68,928	Realizing that this was a 2 year grant, some was on last year’s survey and some on this year’s survey	
2001	78,511		
Use of Computers			
In Classrooms, Computer Labs, Or Libraries	73,695	Administrative Offices	4,816
Percentage of Schools Using student management software.		(This software allows tracking of students as they are going through curriculum and school).	
2000	79%		
2001	86%		
Percentage of schools using Curriculum management software.		The benefits that we are going to see from this, especially as we go forward with the standards implementation are going to be astronomical.	
2000	16%		
2001	23%		